HOUSE . No. 3228

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mary E. Grant, Steven M. Walsh

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act to provide for maintenance costs for the Metropolitan Highway System through electronic tolling.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Mary E. Grant	6th Essex
Steven M. Walsh	11th Essex
John D. Keenan	7th Essex
Denis E. Guyer	2nd Berkshire
David P. Linsky	5th Middlesex
Martha M. Walz	8th Suffolk
Thomas P. Conroy	13th Middlesex

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AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR MAINTENANCE COSTS FOR THE METROPOLITAN HIGHWAY SYSTEM THROUGH ELECTRONIC TOLLING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter 81A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 10, the following section:-
- 2 Section 10A. The transportation agency responsible for the Metropolitan Highway System (MHS) shall
- 3 be directed to design and price an electronic tolling system for the MHS portion of Interstate 93
- 4 southbound and Route 3 northbound in the cities of Boston, Somerville, Medford and Quincy in order for
- 5 those drivers using these highways to share in the maintenance costs of the MHS. The study shall also
- 6 include a legal analysis of the steps necessary to implement and authorize said system. This agency shall
- 7 provide a written report to the Joint Committee on Transportation, the Committee on House Ways and
- 8 Means, and the Committee on Senate Ways and Means which will also include data on the average daily
- 9 and weekly vehicle use of these highways. The report will be due by December 31, 2009.